REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants have received the Office action dated November 30, 2005, in which the Examiner: 1) rejected claims 1 and 2 on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 6 and 10, and claim 7 of James et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,647,512, hereinafter "*James*"); and 2) rejected claims 3-6 on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 6, 7 and 10 of James in view of "Advanced Configuration and Power Interface Specification," Intel Microsoft Toshiba Revision 1.0, dated December 22, 1996, (hereinafter "*ACPI*").

Without conceding the merits of any of the Examiner's rejections and merely to expedite issuance of the present application, Applicants submit a Terminal Disclaimer to address the Examiner's double patenting rejections.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Hewlett-Packard Development Company's Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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